

# Call for Artists

## GSENM Artist In Residence Program – Plein Air

**August - September, 2016      Escalante, Utah**



**Sponsored by Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in partnership with *Escalante Canyons Art Festival***

The purpose of the Artist in Residence partnership between Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM) & *Escalante Canyons Art Festival* (ECAF) is to promote awareness through the arts of the exceptional natural and cultural treasures within the monument. The program aspires to share the scenic beauty and unique stories of National Conservation Lands with the public through artistic expression.

The residency provides artistic and educational opportunities to promote a deeper understanding

of the natural, cultural and historic resources on GSENM. The residency also provides an opportunity for learning and dialogue about the value of the National Conservation Lands and their connection to the local community. It allows uninterrupted time in a stimulating and rugged environment for artists to pursue their work and share it with the public.

As a popular local event, *Escalante Canyons Art Festival* is a premiere art and literary gathering with the aim of welcoming people to the stunning landscapes surrounding this part of Utah, and giving attendees an opportunity to learn some of its rich history. The festival provides experiential learning opportunities to connect participants with the natural beauty of the region.

### **Artist in Residence – Plein Air Artist Applications accepted thru April 22, 2016**

If you are a plein air artist who seeks an opportunity to celebrate Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for several weeks in, and around **Escalante, Utah August - September, 2016** – and wish to display your passion at *Escalante Canyons Art Festival's* celebration of public lands, apply by **April 22, 2016**. For more information, please see program details and the application at:

[http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/grand\\_staircase-escalante/artist\\_in\\_residence.html](http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/grand_staircase-escalante/artist_in_residence.html)

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